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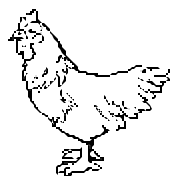
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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were unchanged to lower, mostly unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady, at times weak in parts of the East. Retail demand was light to fair, however, food service was fair to good, best for fast food. Supplies were more than adequate and easy to locate. In the parts structure, trading was limited to fair with normal commitments usually sufficient for needs. Availability was fully adequate to plentiful with discounted pricing noted. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 07/15/02-07/20/02 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)		COMPOSITE		
	MAJORITY	WTD	LOADS	WTD	LOADS
		AVG		AVG	
Bos/New Eng	47.00-52.00	50.93	14	51.81	27
Chicago	48.00-51.00	50.77	44	52.82	84
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	54.93	23
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	63.61	9
Denver	68.50	68.49	17	66.75	20
Detroit	50.00	51.38	13	56.32	40
Los Angeles	69.00	66.58	69	63.24	179
New York	50.00-52.00	51.17	23	53.74	49
Philadelphia	49.00-51.00	50.36	11	51.20	23
Pittsburgh	49.00-51.00	50.91	11	57.42	58
St. Louis	50.00-50.25	49.80	20	50.89	48
San Francisco	69.50	68.32	30	67.58	64

Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	07/15/02	Change/Last Wk	07/08/02	07/16/01
624	57.56	0.27	57.29	59.96

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	55.00-57.00	55.88	35
Central	51.00-57.50	55.91	72
West	50.00-60.00	59.20	50

Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	62.00-64.00	63.25	80
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GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 64.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,135	48.00-66.50	62.96

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	175.00	1,303
BREASTS - B/S	151.00	4,903
BREASTS - WHOLE	83.00	1,153
THIGH MEAT - B/S	70.00	755
LEG QUARTERS	20.00	9,402
WINGS	52.50	3,227

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity was light as dealers adopted a cautious and unaggressive posture entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were available. Movement through retail and distributive channels was sluggish. The market tone was barely steady. In the parts complex, breast items were readily available. Dark meat cuts were fully adequate and wings were sufficient.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was no better than steady. Demand following the weekend was more of a wait and see attitude with trading limited and regular commitments sufficient. Supplies were more than adequate to handle trade requirements. In the parts structure, all items were at least available and obtainable, with demand mostly slow to fair. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged from last Monday's levels. Trading reported for this week's deliveries were at unchanged prices on regular commitments with new negotiations at unchanged to mainly higher prices. Buying interest was fairly good. Offerings were fully adequate with heavy weight whole body product confidently held. Retailer demand increased to cover planned feature activities throughout the region. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. Reported parts trading: leg quarter bulk 17.5-18.5 and 4/10s 19-20.5, breast 85-93 bone-in and boneless 139-145. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 53.58 up .97 compared to last week with the volume reported at the unchanged level of 36 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices for this week's deliveries were generally unchanged from last Monday's majority. The market tone on whole fryers was mostly steady. Offerings adequate, trade interest mixed, mostly light. Demand was at least fair with fast food and special events good. Floor stocks adequate. Weights were in a desirable range. In the parts complex, items continue to clear at a slow to fair pace on fully sufficient offerings. Supplies of whole breasts adequate, boneless/skinless breasts varied, all other items plentiful and discounted. The market tone was barely steady to weak on dark meat, barely steady on boneless/skinless breasts and steady on the balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was slow and insufficient to satisfactorily clear readily available seller offerings. Live supplies were mostly moderate; weights were irregular in a full range of light to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 52 to 64 cents. Trade sentiment was weak. In the parts complex, buying interest was light and unaggressive. All cuts were at least adequate with offering prices highly competitive on most items. *BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	45-68
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	53.69
NO. OF BOXES	9,938

*8 of 8 plants reporting.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive as dealers cautiously assessed the market entering the week. Offerings of breast items were fully adequate to available. Leg quarters were ample and other dark meat cuts were fully sufficient. Wings were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was limited. The market tone was weak on bone-in breasts, barely steady on dark meat cuts and cautiously steady on the balance of product.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT	WTD	VOLUME
	TRADING		AVG	/LBS
BREAST - B/S	135-140		137.47	424,000
TENDERLOINS	100-105		103.52	146,240
BREAST - WITH RIBS	77-78		81.70	202,240
BREAST - LINE RUN	77		78.63	125,280
LEGS	32-33		34.24	173,160
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18-19		17.71	469,936
DRUMSTICKS	34-35		35.10	114,135
THIGHS	18-19		24.62	101,340
B/S THIGHS	62-63		68.32	58,400
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54		55.14	251,480
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12		12.56	32,280
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	15-20		14.62	20,840
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	30-35		39.54	19,240

INCLUDES NY CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, N. NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,730	120.00-145.00	128-135	131.27
TENDERLOINS	238	94.00-192.00	-	115.55
BREAST - WITH RIBS	150	81.00-87.00	-	82.20
FRONT HALVES	400	50.00-57.00	53-56	53.70
LEGS			-	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	960	10.00-14.00	13-14	13.25
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,600	13.00-17.00	15-16	15.63
WINGS (WHOLE)	170	40.00-76.00	-	44.31
DRUMSTICKS		NO TRADING REPORTED	-	
THIGHS	801	14.00-28.50	14-16	15.12

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	07/15	07/11	07/11	07/08	07/04
ALA	4,120	4,083	5.00	4,051	(A)
ARK	5,497	5,354	4.91	5,416	(A)
DELMARVA	2,381	2,380	5.03	2,379	(A)
KY-LA-TN	2,001	2,073	4.21	1,976	(A)
MISS	2,896	2,912	5.29	2,868	(A)
NC	2,664	2,669	5.76	2,622	(A)
TEXAS	2,444	2,469	4.89	2,200	4.92
TOTAL	22,003	21,940	5.03	21,512	5.12
MON	22,003(B)			21,512(B)	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations

(B) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 15-Jul 2002 is estimated to be 32,919,000 up 1.98 percent from a week ago and up 6.15 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,281,000 last year 31,012,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND. **POUNDS**

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
				AVG
BREAST - B/S	923	125.00-219.00	130-137	138.39
TENDERLOINS	82	105.00-185.00	105-110	137.98
BREAST - LINE RUN	80	84.00-87.00	84-85	84.29
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	87	21.00-36.00	21-22	22.21
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	389	10.50-17.00	11-12	11.55
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,336	12.50-25.50	17-18	18.12
WINGS (WHOLE)	281	47.00-55.00	50-52	53.19
WINGS (CUT)	487	61.00-75.00	61-63	64.90
DRUMSTICKS	70	35.00-42.50	-	36.82
THIGHS	30	30.00-46.00	-	35.33

B/S THIGHS TOO FEW TO REPORT

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JUL 15, 2002 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
34.00 - 41.00	34.68	37.42

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 15-JUL - 19-JUL 2002 CENTS PER POUND

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	130.00 - 147.00	137.00 - 140.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	79.00 - 101.00	79.00 - 85.00
LEGS	26.00 - 42.00	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	12.00 - 19.00	16.00 - 18.00
DRUMSTICKS	21.00 - 47.50	
THIGHS	15.00 - 42.00	
WINGS (WHOLE)	39.00 - 63.00	48.00 - 50.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10.00 - 20.00	
LIVERS	25.00 - 42.00	
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 45.00	

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	82
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	85-89
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	589

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	91-93
ROASTERS 4# & UP	80-95
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 94-95
	DRY PACK 96-103
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 104-113
	DRY PACK 113
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK
	ICE PACK 94-98
DUCKS	152-166

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

12-JUL-2002

CHICKEN — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

— PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	13.00	13.00-14.00	183,600	-
WTD AVERAGE	13.00	13.71		
15-20%				
RANGE	13.00-14.00	10.50-13.00	1,765,200	326,400
WTD AVERAGE	13.33	11.48		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES OF AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged. Trading and offers were fully adequate for the fair demand. Processing schedules were normal. Movement of finished products were about adequate to fully adequate for needs. Trade sentiment was mostly steady.
HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-JUL-02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING 8-11.5 CENTS/LB.		8-9	8.97

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

12-JUL-2002

CHICKEN — PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

— PRICES — VOLUME —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	12.00-16.75	13.50	770,000	630,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.18	13.50		
15-20%				
RANGE	11.00-15.50	10.00-15.50	1,214,000	200,000
WTD AVERAGE	12.52	12.16		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES OF CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was only fair for fully adequate to ample offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal for current week. Finished product supplies were irregular but generally sufficient for trade needs. The undertone was steady.
HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-JUL-02.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING 4.5-10.5 CENTS/LB.		8-9	8.64
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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